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**Subject:** Duke Energy could get their way

Hi Friends,

If Duke Energy gets their way, customers will see an increase in their energy bills. Duke Energy has asked the NC Utilities Commission (NCUC) for a rate increase to pay for the storage and disposal of coal ash in NC.

**Sign our petition to let the NCUC know that you are against unfair rate hikes:**  
<http://action.ncconservationnetwork.org/ratehikespetition>

Duke Energy's rate hike request is problematic in a number of ways – from rate payers having to pay for their bad business practices to the negative impacts on underserved communities that are likely to bear the biggest burden.

The cost and responsibility for coal ash storage and disposal should not be on rate payers or community members already suffering from coal ash pollution.

**Sign our petition urging the NCUC to require Duke Energy to pay for their own mess:** <http://action.ncconservationnetwork.org/ratehikespetition>

Best,  
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